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In re the Application of  
SCHADE et al.

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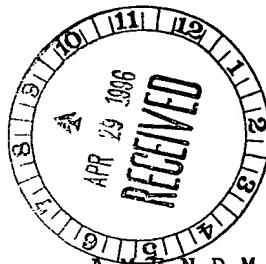
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For: THE USE OF COPOLYMERS OF CARBOXYLIC ACIDS AND LONG-CHAIN COMPOUNDS WITH ISOLATED C-C MULTIPLE BONDS AS THICKENERS OR DISPERSANT

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Sir:

In response to the office action of January 17, 1996, kindly amend the above-entitled application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Add the following claim.

--17. A cosmetic or pharmaceutical composition as defined in claim 10 and containing as a thickener or dispersant an effective amount of a copolymer obtained by free-radical polymerization of (A) as 50-99.9% by weight of an olefinically unsaturated  $C_3-C_5$ -monocarboxylic acid; (B) 0.1-50% by weight of one or more long-chain compounds with isolated C-C multiple bonds from the group comprising (1) mono- or polyunsaturated  $C_8-C_{30}$ -monocarboxylic acids, (2) mono- or polyunsaturated aliphatic  $C_8-C_{30}$ -amines, (3) mono- or polyunsaturated  $C_8-C_{30}$ -alcohols, (4)  $C_{10}-C_{25}$ -alkyl vinyl ethers, and (5) terminal or internal  $C_{16}-C_{30}$ -alkenes; (C) 0-49.9% by weight of other copolymerizable monomers; and (D) 0-10% by weight of one or more compounds with at least two olefinically unsaturated groups in the molecule as crosslinkers.--